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In re application: **Akhtar et al.**

Serial No.: **09/598,565**

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For: **Method and Apparatus for  
Processing Control Messages in a  
Communications System**

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Group Art Unit: **2663**

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Examiner: **Marcelo, Melvin C.**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-3157. A one-month extension of time is believed to be necessary and a check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed. No additional extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an additional extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-3157.

In response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.